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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Satoshi OHTA; Takayoshi AOYAMA;  
Toru YOSHIDA and Tadashi ISOZUMI

Serial No.: 09/938,280

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Honorable Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 5, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 5, paragraph 4, bridging Page 6, paragraph 1:

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As shown in Figs. 2 to 4, the latch 8 includes an engagement portion 8d that engages with a coil spring 11, or an urging member. In the same manner, the first ratchet

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